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NORTHERN CALIFORNIA EMPLOYMENT ROUND TABLE HOSTS “MEET THE DIRECTOR”

ELK GROVE -- Northern California employers will have an opportunity to “Meet the Director” of the Department of Fair Employment and Housing (“DFEH”), Suzanne M. Ambrose, and Chief Deputy Director Wanda J. Kirby on Tuesday, August 16, 2005. The meeting will begin at 10:30 a.m. Participants will also have a chance to engage in a dialogue about both the Department and the Northern California Employment Round Table (“NCERT”).

NCERT is a partnership between the DFEH and volunteer employer representatives. Its mission is to help California employers understand issues related to employment discrimination, and promote the elimination of discrimination. It also seeks to facilitate constructive relationship between the Department and employer community.

“NCERT has not been active in recent years. This meeting is part of the DFEH’s concerted effort to revitalize the organization,” said Ambrose. All employers, public and private, are invited and encouraged to participate in the group’s activities. “We want to hear what concerns and challenges are facing California employers so that we can assist them in creating and maintaining workplaces that are free from discrimination or harassment.”

“Meet the Director” will be held in Room 9 on the second floor of the State building situated at 1515 Clay Street, Oakland. There is no charge and parking is available directly across the street.

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